## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ Introduced by: VanDenburgh

A RESOLUTION recognizing the 2007 Crown Point 8 and Under Girls Softball Team.

Whereas, Softball began indoors on Thanksgiving Day in Chicago in 1887 and was moved outside at a Minneapolis, Minnesota, firehouse in 1895 by Lewis Rober Sr. so the firefighters could get some exercise while waiting for an alarm;

Whereas, Women's fast-pitch softball was selected to debut as a medal sport at the 1996 Olympic Summer Games in Atlanta, Georgia;

Whereas, Today softball is a way of life for thousands of people each year;

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Whereas, The 2007 Crown Point 8 and Under Girls Softball Team is the 2007 National Softball Association 8 and Under Girls' Indiana "C" State Champion with a 7 - 3 victory over the Ohio Lady Lasers;

Whereas, The Crown Point Girls 8 and Under Girls Softball Team was also a finalist in the National Softball Association "B" World Series, finishing second to the Ohio Lady Lasers by a score of 5 - 3; and

Whereas, The members of the 2007 Crown Point 8 and Under Girls Softball Team have once again proven themselves to be true champions and have learned the many valuable lessons that athletics can give our young people, including the value of friendship, sportsmanship, and teamwork: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. That the members of the Indiana House of Representatives congratulate the members of Crown Point's 2007 8 and Under Girls Softball Team on their state championship and to wish them continued success in their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to team members Taylor Ard, Kasey Bauner, Lindsay Dault, Melissa Fajman, Vanessa Hekkel, Alexis Holloway, Natalie Klingberg, Morgan Matalin, Stephanie Renner, Holly Riley, Abby Van Prooyen, and Kayla Wright, coaches Dwight Ard, Dave Hekkel, and Seth Holloway, and manager Rick Renner.

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